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REMARKS

25X1 1. [redacted] 100 to 150 personnel, most of them officers, were assigned to the Main Political Department of the Ministry of the Interior in Berlin-Johannisthal. Chief of the department was General Rudolf Doellling; his deputy was Colonel Boehme (fnu). Lieutenant Steinke (fnu) was also assigned to the department.

25X1 2. [redacted] a party was given in honor of Field Marshal Paulus and General Seydlitz at the Ministry of the Interior on Schneller Strasse, Berlin, on 27 October 1953. Paulus and Seydlitz appeared in civilian clothes. Persons participating in the reception included Hoffmann, Doellling, Kessler, Zorn and Verner.

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25X1 1. [redacted] **Comment.** The transfer of the Political Main Administration of the Ministry of the Interior/KVP from Behren Strasse to Berlin-Johannisthal was known previously.

25X1 2. [redacted] **Comment.** The East German press did not report anything on General von Seydlitz's return to East Germany. [redacted] possibly mistaken in stating that Seydlitz had been seen in Berlin.

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